

Dr. Worthie Springer is well known for his willingness to help to those in need. As a doctor, he made house calls and often did not charge his patients for his services. He is also known for his community service, especially among Granite Mountain residents. Springer Boulevard in the Granite Mountain area was named to recognize and honor the efforts of Dr. Springer and his family.

Arkansas African American History Makers

Services and Opportunities

King Team Program - Through the King Team Program, young people across Arkansas can accentuate their strength by gaining an appreciation for teamwork and community service. The goal of the program is to inspire young Arkansans to undertake community service projects and activities to help others. The program also requires that members commit to promoting human equality and nonviolence.

Drum Majors Leadership Program – the Drum Majors Leadership Program, inspired by one of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s most famous sermons, The Drum Major Instinct, was developed to attract present and potential adult leaders from across the state of Arkansas to harness and unselfishly direct their innate desire to improve their lives, their communities, and the lives of young people.

Junior Commissioners - The King Commission is also comprised of a Junior Commission which was created to give outstanding Arkansas high school and college students who have demonstrated strong leadership qualities and a commitment to serving their communities a voice in the work of the King Commission.

King Holiday - The King Holiday is a unique American holiday. In 1994, President Clinton signed legislation establishing the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday and Service Act making the King Holiday a time for community service, thus establishing a new direction for King Holiday celebrations. The King Commission coordinates and plans Holiday celebrations throughout the state.

National "I Have a Dream" Youth Assembly - The youth assembly is designed to bring hundreds of young people together to teach effective techniques for daily applications of Dr. King's philosophy through national motivational speakers, interactive workshops, and educational activities.

Youth Hall of Fame - As a salute to outstanding young people between the ages of 12 and 19, the King Commission inducts five new members into the Youth Hall of Fame during each youth assembly. Categories in academics, athletics, the arts, community service and leadership are recognized.

Volunteers – Volunteers play a vital role in planning events and providing professional assistance to the King Commission. Contact our office to find out how you can be of service.



